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TIONAL TRIBUNE.

SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS. The scene of this story of the war period hewed. is laid in the Southern Allegany Mountains. The hero, Henry Clay Pollock, is a sturdy young mountaineer: his betrothed, the heroine, Miriam Inrule, is the daughter of homesteads. Elder Stornmont is a Methodist circuit-rider. Early in the story, at Inrule's house, he with lurule and Pollock Col. Rhea, a bitter secessionist and slaveholder, who, enraged at the others' loyalty and the preacher's later public speeches, yows to "teach them their duty."

necession element, and come under Rhea's military authority, annoy the brules, Pollock and Stornmont in various ways. The wife of one of the leaders of the Sangdiggers, Bill Hoskins, seeks protection from her husband at the Inrules, and resides with them.

two parties to attack Pollock's home; the detachments fire into each other in the darkness and several are hurt. Rhea vents his wrath by burning Pollock's property. Pollock and others join Gen. Nelson's army at Camp Dick Robinson, in Kentucky, and are soon in active work.

Miriam burn an important bridge, to interfere with rebel movements. Elder Stornment several times narrowly escapes capture by the rebels. Inrule and his sons are arrested for burning the bridge. The Elder, in a note to Col. Rhea, declares he is responsible for the work, and offers to give himself up upon release of the Inrules.

determine to release him by force. As they Elder, who has been released in the midst wipe his shoes on yo'. Yo' wuz afeard t' who we wuz." of a disastrous hurricane that partly de- meet him face to face. Yo' ran off like a stroyed the warehouse in which he was whipped dog from the fout, but like a sneakin' she asked, nervously. "Yo' mont've put on confined. The rebel camp is then de- cur, yo' take advantage behind his back, an' others that wouldn't be noticed so." molished and the rebels put to flight. Col. | burn his house. It's jest like all yo're cowardly

Gen. George H. Thomas takes command of Camp Dick Robinson. He captivates the Tennesseeans by his manner. The rebel Gen. Zollicoffer makes an advance, companions report, and a Union victory is | we deal with."

Capt. Sam Griggs, the former overseer and now military henchman of Col. Rhea, makes a descent with a large party on Inrule's farm, and runs off the stock. Inrule and his sons hide their supplies in woods and cave. Griggs returns, and, exasper- And she looked significantly at the light ated at finding so little plunder, fires the squirrel rifle she carried. stables and cribs. Miriam receives a comin the battle of Mill Springs.

During the pursuit of the rebels, Pollock and his companions come across Col. Rhea, wounded and deserted by his men. but do not melest him. The rebels desert stepped back and put her hand on the hammer their works and burn the boats by which of her rifle. Just then her quick eye caught they cross the river.

Bill Hoskins is brought by companions to the Inrules wounded and in a very dred yards away. They were dressed the humble spirit; they bring the first news of the battle; they are given food. Hoskins tells the story of the defeat of the rebel

CHAPTER XXI.

Bill Hoskins's tale of the overwhelming disaster to the rebel cause at Mill Springs was repeated thousands of times in the houses and cabins of East Tennessee by the whipped-out fugitives from Zollicoffer's

Wherever they went they brought hope and gladness to the persecuted Unionists, and gloom and despondency to the rebels.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings," said the Elder with characteristic dry humor. "I never imagined that they could be made to apply to the feet of such as Bill Hoskins, but wonderful are the works of the Lord."

Gen. Thomas showed his usual lucid comprehension of the situation before him when he reported to the Government at Washing-

"There is no doubt but what the moral effect produced by their complete dispersion will have a more decided effect in re-establishing Union sentiments than though they had been captured."

To the East Tennesseeans the triumph seemed overwhelming in its completeness. Zollicoffer, their most execrated enemy, had been slain; Col. Rhea was a prisoner, if not dead; and their other enemies had been chastised as with rods of iron.

But still greater news was soon to follow. In a few weeks they heard of the glorious victory at Fort Donelson, the defeat of the rebels intrenched in a powerful stronghold by prisoners, the tumultuous retreat of Albert | mare sharply, and sped down the hill like the | up in the air. Sidney Johnston's threatening army fr m | wind to meet him. Her mare was under Kentucky, the abandonment of Nashville in | such headway that she would have passed | in a panic by another arch enemy-Gov. him, but he reached out his right arm, lifted Isham G. Harris, and all his myrmidons, the her from her saddle, and set her on his own of the ship would have been? Since this occupation of the Capital of the State by the in front of him, pressing her to him in an alexperience the Department has adopted Union forces, and the march of Gen. Mitchel | most crushing embrace.

The Elder was the first to get this marvel- | set her down, and jumped to the ground beous sheaf of good news, and he rode at all side her. speed across the country to set in motion | "Why, Clay-honey-whar - did-yo'means of communicating it at once to all his | come-from?" she gasped, kissing him

and Reuben, carefully instructed them in the dress? Is this the Yankee army?" tale they were to tell, and sent them out in | "Ef yo'll look a leetle keerfully, honey,

different directions to spread the glad tidings. | vo'll see that these air some o' your ole ac-Miriam begged to be sent too. Her mare quaintances. Miss Inrule, low me t'i nterhad fortunately escaped capture by being in | juce t' yo' Mister Web. | Brainard." a distant pasture at the time the rest of the | "O, Web," the said delightedly, throwing stock was carried off, and had since been the her arms around his neck and kissing him. farm's drudge-of-all-work. But Miriam felt "I'd never knowed vo' in the world in that that the occasion justified demanding a little strange rig. How queer and fine yo' look. more from the faithful brute, and she was | And this is True Westcott." soon on her back, speeding over the hills with | "Yes, Mirry; an' yo' must kiss me, too.

her burden of joyful intelligence. The Elder then harried on to other houses me," said True. where he was likely to find swift messengers. and by night he had spread the news over a action to the word. "Clay don't mind on thousand square miles of mountain and this special occasion."

On her way Miriam turned aside to pass privieges. by the site of her future home. She had not been there since Henry Clay Pollock had left. She had rather strongly avoided going believes. Whar air the rest?" near a spot so eloquent of her shattered hopes. Those around her appreciated her feel-gs, ings yit," answered Pollock gravely, anybody know where Hitt is?" and never spoke to or before her of : see which had at one time been the chief burden | They'uns'll be here when the roads dry up. of the family conversation. So she had heard We'uns wuz sent out on a scout, and not And hewas. He had been due to dine with nothing of the vengeance which Col. Rhea | findin' nobody t' stop we'uns we jest kept wreaked upon the place.

hopes of a speedy pence, of Pollock's return, and the consummation of their dearest wishes, | thar, had a similar hankerin' t' see Nancy she longed to look again upon that beloved | Westcott: True said that he felt Sally Brainspot, and rebuild her day-dreams of the ard's eyes pullin' him over the mountings, future.

ment when with beating heart she rode out | Tracy an' Harlan wanted t' see." upon the little knoll from which she had "'Deed yo' needn't," she said brightly. so often caught the first sight of her future "I know Martha an' Mandy Il be almost as home, and halted there to build up every glad t' see them as I am t' see yo'." detail in loving imagination. She saw noth- | The two young Tennesseeans blushed rosy | lazy a l

ing now but blackened ruins: the stone walls overthrown, the trees cut down, the fences burned, and only black chunks remaining of the logs Pollock had so laboriously cut and

Much as she and her family had suffered, nothing cut so deeply into her heart as this sight. The rage of her sternly revengeful Robert Inrule, one of the descendants of race shook her being, and had she had the the honest, hardy men who penetrated into | power at that moment she would have sent the mountains, and amid pioneer hardships everybody connected with the rebellion to and dangers, located rude but comforable everlasting torment. She was too intensely angry for that relief of women in smaller troubles-tears. She could merely sit on her engage in a hot political discussion with | mare and let the whirlwinds of wrath sweep through her soul. As she looked with blazing eyes on the ruin, she saw three men approach on horseback. She recognized them as Capt. Sam Griggs, Big Bill Hoskins, and The Sang-diggers, who all belong to the | Pid Pancake. Griggs had been ordered to go through the country, gather up his men, and bring them into camp. He had fastened upon the reluctant Hoskins first and the still more reluctant Pancake next. It was in vain that Hoskins pleaded his wound, and Pancake his floating kidney, which was sure Disgusted at the failure of his men to to kill them both, if exposed to the weather. capture Pollock, Rhea leads them in Griggs had recovered from his demoralization, under the stern admonitions of the rebel officers at Knoxville, and they had sent him out with strennous orders that he felt he must

They halted at the site of the house to eat their dinner. Griggs ordered Hoskins and Meanwhile, at home, the inrule boys and | Pancake to roll some of the blackened chunks together to start a fire by which to boil their

Miriam dashed down to them in a fury. "You unhung scoundrel," she said to Griggs, 'how dare you pollute this place with your presence? This is your work, yo' vile off-The Inrules are released. Rhea, sitting scourin', yo' mangy hound, that barks and soon. Clay Pollock'll soon be here, an' then we be t' yo'.

"Go away from here, Miss Inrule," said Griggs, trying to assume the dignity of 'an | uniform in Tennessee, t'incourage our people, and Pollock and his comrades are sent out officer and a gentleman.' "I don't want t' an' we wanted t' give the rebels a bluff, an' to secure information. Pollock and his have nothin't say t' women; hit's men that show how little we wuz afeared o' they'uns.

> an' hide from the fust Yankees yo' see. Git offen this place at once, or I'll make yo'."

"Go away, yo' Linconite hussy," said forting letter from Pollock. He participates | Griggs, losing his patience, and dropping his pretense of "manners." "Go away, and that quick, or I'll make yo' sorry."

> She was so beside herself with rage that she sight of a group of five men on horseback coming over the rise of the hill, a few hunmost strangely that she had ever seen men. They wore blue caps, and blue overcoats with capes. The sight startled her, and she hesieves had nervously watched every movement she made, looked in the direction of her gaze. "Lord-a-massy-Yankees," he yelled, and

made a dive for his horse. For a man with a and went galloping down the road. Big button. Bill Hoskins seemed to forget his lame leg in the haste he made to follow his example. Griggs was not far behind him as they disappeared over the hill.

The five horsemen in blue rode rapidly in a daze. Were these Yankees, and what | discharged sort of men could they be? How would they act? What would they say and do? Had she not better herself fly? There flashed through her mind the terrible pictures that Big Bill Hoskins had painted of the fierce-

most man. She had never seen any other ively man sit on a horse so much like Henry Clay

She saw him pull off his cap and wave

What did that mean? She heard the sound but could not distin-

guish the words. Then there floated to her on the crisp, bright Winter air:

"M-i-r-y-dear! O-o-o M-i-r-r-v!"

He carried her back to the site of the house.

again. "How strange vo' look in them At the Inrule house he called up Bildad cloze. Is that the way the Yankees all

"Indeed I will," she replied, suiting the

The other two claimed and received like

"Whar's the Yankee army?" she inquired. "You'uns air not Yankees-only make-

"The rest air the other side o' the mount-"They'uns can't come on fur the mud. a-comin' till we got so near here that we time. As he pushed his way into the hall, Now, when every breeze seemed bringing | determined t' chance hit on a visit home. I | all breathless, Lincoln heaved a great sigh wuz jest a-dyin' t' see yo', honey. Web, of relief, and soon plunged into a speech an' hit'd cost him a spell o' sickness if he She was choked with anger and amaze- couldn't git t' her. I needn't tell yo' who

MRS. LYNESS ESCAPES

The Hospital and a Fearful Operation.

Hospitalsingreatcities are sad places to visit. Three-fourths of the patients lying on those snow-white beds are women and girls. Why should this be the case?

Because they have neglected themselves! Women as a rule attach too little importance to first symptoms of a certain kind. If they have toothache. they will try to save the tooth, though many leave even this too late. They comfort themselves with the thought that they can replace their teeth; but they cannot replace their internal organs!

Every one of those patients in the hospital beds had plenty of warnings in the form of bearing-down feelings, pain at the right or the left of the womb, nervous dyspepsia, pain in the small of the back, the "blues," or some other unnatural symptom, but they did

Don't drag along at home or in the shop until you are finally obliged to go to the hospital and submit to horrible examinations and operations! Build up the female organs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will save you from the hospital. It will put new life into you.

The following letter shows how Mrs. Lyness escaped the hospital and a fearful operation. Her experience should encourage other women to follow her example. She says to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I thank you very much for what you have done for me, for I had given up in despair. Last February, I had a misearriage caused by overwork. It affected my heart, caused me to have sinking spells three to four a day, lasting sometimes half a day. I could not be left alone. I flowed constantly. The doctor called twice a day for a week, and once a day for four weeks, then three or four times a week for four months. Finally he said I would have to undergo an operation. Then I commenced taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and

after one week I began to recover and steadily improved until I was cured completely. By taking the Pinkham medicine, I avoided an operation which the doctor said I would certainly have to undergo. I am gaining every day and will cheerfully tell anyone what you have done for me."-MES. THOS. LYNESS, 10 Frederick St., Rochester, N. Y.

coffee of parched wheat and broil their red at the mention of their sweetheart's

"We kin only be with yo' a day or two, honey," said Pollock. "Hit wuz mouty resky comin' here at all, but one sight o' you wuz worth takin' big chances for, and I done tuk them. Thar'il be a thousand rebels in pretended military court, sentences bites at the command o' your rebel master. a'ter we'uns by to-morrer, fur we'uns have Stornmont to be hanged. The Unionists Yo' burned these logs and destroyed this bin ridin' right along the big road in full place, the work of a man who'd despise t' Yankee uniform, and advertisin' ourselves

"Why did yo' wear your Yankee cloze?"

Lots o' reasons," replied Pollock. "Fust Rhea is taken prisoner, but is rescued by crew. But yo're day'll come, an' that monty | place, these air our cloze, an' we air proud of 'em, an' we wanted t' show you what jinyouwine Yankee soljers looked like; second, we wanted t' make an exhibition o' the Yankee But let's git on our hosses an' travel. I want "Men." she repeated seornfully. "Yo' t' see your folks, an' the other boys 's in a deal with men! Yo' kin say that a'ter runnin' hurry t' meet their gals. They envy me my a hundred mile t' git behind the mountings, good luck, honey, in meetin' yo' on the way.' (To be continued.)

L.H.W. Club-Raisers.

To the young ladies in the L.H.W. we commend our new ladies' watch described on the supplement sheet. It only requires a club of seven yearly subscribers to THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE to get it. It is a practical beauty. Read the description. We guarantee it. We want to give one to each of you

> Danger in Gun Practice. [San Francisco Chronicle.]

"There is considerable danger in this naval practice in gunnery," said an officer of the United States Navy. "I came very the last squadron cruise. We were at heavy-gun practice at sea, and but for the have returned.

"As you probably know, the heavy guns floating kidney, he showed remarkable agil- in the turrets are fired by electricity, the ity. He sprang into the saddle like a boy, gun being discharged simply by pressing a forward turret on our ship during rapid-fire practice was just about to press the button to fire one of our big guns, when a gunner's mate was seen to grab at somefall in a heap on the floor. The officer forward. Miriam stood and looked at them | pressed the button, but the gun was not

"When the mate came to, he was asked what had happened, and he informed the been locked, and that what he grabbed at on the wall was the wires forming the electric firing circuit. When he saw that ness and cruelty of the Yankee soldiers. She | the officer was preparing to fire the gun, kept her eyes fixed on them, but moved back | and at the same time observed that the to her mare, unbitched her and vaulted into | breech of the gun was not locked, the only the saddle, keeping a close grasp on her gun. I thing that occurred to him to prevent the There seemed something familiar in the gun being discharged was to destroy the carriage and manner of riding of the fore- circuit, which he did promptly and effect-

> "When all this occurred there was a charge of 250 pounds of powder in the gun, another charge of the same size in the turret ready to be served, and the passageway leading to the powder magazine was

"But for the quickness of the gunner's mate the gun would have been blown out inside the turret, the gases from the burning powder would probably have ignited the charge lying in the turret, this explo-There could be no mistaking the tones of sion would have ignited the powder in the the irresistible prowers of the "Lincolnite | Henry Clay Pollock's voice. In a transport | magazine, and the chances are that the army," the capture of tens of thousands of of joy she flung down her rifle, struck her whole ship, crew and all, would have gone

"A thought that has occurred to me is this: Suppose the accident had occurred, what do you imagine the verdict of the board of inquiry as to the cause of the loss electrical means to prevent the discharge of any of the large guns until the breech is

Waited for the Reporter.

Congressman Hitt, of Illinois, began his career as a reporter, and his expertness as a stenographer caused him to be assigned in his celebrated joint debate with Douglas in 1858. Lincoln came to depend on his young friend so that his first thought, when facing an audience, would be to see that

Hitt had his pencil ready. On one occasion the Chairman of a meetng had introduced Lincoln to the great audience who had gathered to hear him, and every sound was hushed and every head bent to catch the first syllables that were to fall from the lips of the orator. Lincoln Web mustn't have anything t' brag on over | was observed to be uneasy. He craned his long neck this way and that, peering about the front rows of the expectant multitude. Then he broke the stillness with the sud-

den query: "Where's Hitt?" The spectators exchanged glances, thinking something untoward had happened. Nobody understood the question except a few newspaper men, who were aware of the part played by the young stenographer. Again Lincoln made as if to speak, but only to ask, anxiously: "Where's Hitt? Doesn't

A reporter who stood near a window, after taking a quick survey of the landscape, called back: "It's all right; Hitt's coming." a friend, and accidentally overstayed his most effective of the campaign.

> She Wanted a Hustler. Chicago Telhune 1

Rapturana Youth - Mildred, Icacold for no happier clernity than to be persalt by your side and press your se in a great, great while, Miss

Cases of Interest Disposed of by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Davis handed down a decision in the case of Anton Kawall, Co. K, 5th U. S. Art., whe claimed pension on account of a gunshot wound of left foot received July 14, 1894. The records of the War Department state that the appellant was discharged Sept. 1, 1895, on account of the injury. The battery Captain states in the certificate of disability for discharge that claimant was on a flat car cleaning his gun. The muzzle was resting on his instep and he pulled the trigger to see if it was all right, and the bullet passed through his foot. And the Post Surgeon also stated in his certificate the cause of the disability is as described in the battery commander's certificate, and the injury was evidently due to careless-

Assistant Secretary Davis says "that the claimant has filed no evidence in rebuttal of the aforesaid record, therefore the injury in this case was manifestly due to claimant's gross carelessness in the use of his gun, and the disability therefrom is, therefore, not pensionable, and his claim is re-

In the case of Nancy, widow of Jacob Rathton, unassigned substitute (docket No. 34,510), involving a question of length of service, the man enlisted Oct. 15, 1864, was accepted by he Board of Enrollment of the Eighth Congressional District of Indiana on the same day as a substitute. He was examined by a Board of Inspectors Nov. 7, 1864, and rejected. He was furloughed to await discharge, and was discharged April 1, 1865, on a Surgeon's certated. Pid Pancak, whose pale, watery near going up into the air in small bits on | tificate because of "deficient amplitude and expansive mobility of chest; said disqualification existed at date of enlistment.' quickness of a gunner's mate would never He was never assigned to any military organization, nor ordered on detached servany active military service.

ice, nor is it shown that he ever performed Mr. Davis says: "In the case of George W. Fleck, it was held that where the soldier's only service was compulsory, in compliance with a sentence of a court-martial, and consisted of confinement at hard labor with ferfeiture of pay and allowances due hing on the wall of the turret and then or to become due, the term of his military service being postponed by the terms of the sentence, he could not be regarded as having 'served in the military or naval service of the United States during the war of the rebellion,' within the mean ing of the act of June 27, 1890. Webster work for; to labor in behalf of; to exert one's self continuously or statedly for the tenefit of,' and the word is used in said act to indicate the performance of active military or naval duties on the part of the

"It appears to have been conceded in the case of Elizabeth H. Poland, that because the War Department held that the soldier in the case was in the service of the United States from Sept. 26, 1851, to Jan. 20, 1867, that he served in or during the war of the rebellion 90 days, notwithstanding the fact that the Surgeon's certificate of disability showed that his disability existed at date of enlistment, and as a matter of fact he performed no active duty

while waiting for his discharge. 'I am of the opinion," continues Mr. Davis, "that it is a strained and forced construction of the act of Jame 27, 1830, to hold that such a man 'served 90 days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion,' as provided in section 2 of the act of June 27, 1890, or that he 'served 90 days or more in the army or navy of the United States during the Lite war of the rebellion,' as provided in section 3 of

Congress in this act provides for those who served, and the man who was sent home to await discharge on account of disabilities which disabled him from serving as a soldier, and which disabilities had existed at the time he enlisted as a substitute for a drafted man, who was presumably able to perform service, did not, in my opinion, serve within the plain meaning

of that word as used in said act. to report the speeches of Abraham Lincoln | flicting with the rule announced in the Poland decision, regarding the weight given the records of the War Department, and conceding that said soldier in that case was in the military service of the United States during the war of the rebellion for more than 90 days, it would not necessarily or legally follow that he served 90 days, or that his widow was entitled to a pension. "So much of safd decision, therefore, in the case of Elizabeth H. Poland as implied that claimant was entitled to a pension under section 3 of the act of June 27, 1890, on account of her husband's said

> alleged service, is overruled. "I am of the opinion that soldier did not serve 90 days in the war of the rebellion, or in the army of the United States, within the meaning of sections 2 and 3 of the act of June 27, 1890, and the action appealed from is accordingly affirmed."

The question whether men who acted in the capacity of scouts during the war of the rebellion are pensionable was passed upon last week by Assistant Secretary Davis. The case was that of Joseph K. Boone, scout. On Jan. 18, 1890, claimant filed a declaration for pension, alleging that he was employed in the military service of the United States in the capacity of a scout in the war of the rebellion; that he was emwhich by many critics was pronounced the ployed and sworn into such service about most effective of the campaign. ployed and sworn into such service about Sept. 11, 1861, at Brookfield, Mo., and remained continuously in the military service as such scout thereafter until the close of the war, in the year 1865. The disability was disease of the eye, incurred in the se vice and line

> This matter has been reced to the War epariment, requesting into iation touching the service of the chainant, and the regularity at all times.

Record and Pension Division of that Department replied that the 'Quariermaster-General may have a record of this man's service as a scout. He appears to have been

employed solely as such." "Upon a like request being preferred to the office of the Quartermaster-General, that office, without giving any information, returned the communication, requesting that the names of the Quartermasters by whom Joseph K. Boone was employed, and the dates of his service under each, be definitely stated.

"Upon receipt of this communication the same was called to the attention of the claimant, who, on Aug. 12, 1890, replying thereto, said: 'I state that I was not at any time during the war attached to any branch of the Quartermaster's Department. My service was all the time under the direction of and connected with general officers in command in central Missouri, commanders of regiments and posts. And my duties were that of scout, guide for troops and bearer of dispatches, and what little compensation I received was paid me by such officers as employed me. The claimant having been employed by various officers of the army in the capacity of guide and scout merely, is not in cluded within any of the classes of persons mentioned in the pension laws as beneficiaries thereunder. The claim is therefore rejected."

Work of the Pension Office. The report of certificates issued for the week ending Jan. 1 shows-Army invalid: Original, 22; increase and additional, 24; reissue, 17; restoration and renewal, 14; accrued, 57: total, 134. Army invalid (act June 27, 1830): Original, 171; increase, 27; additional, 20; reissue, 4; restoration, 9; renewal, 2; sup-plementals, 2; accrued, 50; total, 285.

Army widow, etc.: Original, 28, Army widow, etc. (act June 27, 1890): Original, 189; reissue, 2; restoration, 1; accrued, 1; total, 193,

Navy invalid: Reissue, 1. Navy invalid (act June 27, 1896): Increase, 1; additional, 1; total, 2. Navy widow: Original, 1. Navy widow (act June 27, 1890): Original,

Army Nurse: Original, 1, Ind an Wars-Survivors: Accrued, 1. Indian Wars-Widows: Original, 2.

Totals: Original, 417; increase and additional, 76; reissue, 24; restoration and renewal, 26; supplementals, 2; accrued, 109. whole question. Grand total, 654. Gen. Grosven

WEEK IN WASHINGTON.

TUESDAY, Dec. 28.-The Orange Free State has ratified the extradition treaty recently negotiated with the United States, and the document reached Washin the city, died at his residence. Col. Lowdermilk was a native of Cumberwar he returned to Cumberland and bewas appointed Postmaster at Cumber- gan's resolution. land by President Grant. In 1878 he came to Washington and embarked in business

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29.—The President toing of fur seals in the waters of the North Pacific Ocean." The act prohibits except as they may be taken on the the importation of sealskins into the United States, whether "raw, dressed, dyed or manufactured." The penalty for violation of the law is a fine of not less vessel, its tackle and cargo. Regulations in accordance with the bill have been

THURSDAY, Dec. 30.—Comptroller of the Currency James H. Eckels, whose resignation will take effect to-morrow, called upon the President this afternoon to pay his respects and say good-bye. Mr. Eckels will leave for Chicago to-morrow morning. His successor, Mr. Charles G. Dawes, will qualify as Comptroller to morrow and take charge of the office next Monday .- It was announced that the arrangement as effected between Mr. | the great fortifications at the Rock Selton, the Canadian Minister of the Interior, in behalf of Canada, and the War Department, contemplates that the Klonwhich constitutes the military arm of the Dominion. The United States force will proceed with the relief stores to under the guns of the fortress. Skaguay, where they will be joined about Feb. 1, by the Canadian mounted police, where the relief is to be distributed.

FRIDAY, Dec. 31.—The Postoffice De dier drawing a pension under the dependent pension law may be reinstated in a position he formerly occupied in the service. The case arose in connection with the application of a veteran employed in the Philadelphia Postoffice. radical changes in the whole system. SATURDAY, Jan. 1.-Chairman Dingley, of the Ways and Means Committee of the ment of the revenue outlook: "The revenue for December shows an increase of more than \$2,500,000 over that of November, and exceeds the expenditures for



clear, the eyes bright and the lips rosy. Hearty, healthy wholesomeness is better than mere beauty of features. A face full of the glow of good health-full of the kindliness and good humor that health brings, is bound to be an attractive face—a face that will make friends. The face tells the story of the whole body. "Murder will out" -and so will "female weakness" and

to women. If there is a drain on the system and strength, the record of it will show in the face. If there is nerve nagging "bearing-down" pains, dragging and pulling at the most sensitive organs in a woman's body, the face will show it. Abused nerves draw lines of care and worry on the face. Nervous prostration writes its warning on the face long before it comes. Sleeplessness, nervousness and debilitating drains make more wrinkles

nervousness and other disorders peculiar

than age. Nine-tenths of the sickness of women comes from some derangement of organs distinctly feminine. Nine-tenths of this sickness can be cured and avoided by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. There is nothing miraculous about the "Favorite Prescription"-nothing supernatural.

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is no doubt in Treasury circles that the if I had been addressing his noblets the revenue under the new tariff law from | Prince of Wales. Jan. 1 to July 1 will exceed in the ag-

CHAT OF THE CORRIDORS.

The attack on the Civil Service system as it now exists will be resumed in the House this week, in all probability. The Executive and Judicial appropriation bill wrote to the Times about the incident Mexican War-Survivors: Increase and in the consideration of the measure, with additional, 3; Mexican War widows: Origi- the understanding that it should be liberally debated later. The opponents of the law purpose that the debate shall cover the

Gen. Grosvenor, it is understood, has old colored man to the policeman at the prepared an elaborate speech in opposition | door of the White House to-day. He gave Events of General Interest in the National Capital

to the law, which he will deliver on his return from Ohio, which may not be until next week.

to the law, which he will deliver on his resplay. He gave his name as Nat Tyler, "born up in Spott-sylvania, but bin in dis town since it was started. next week.

The subject of Hawaiian annexation, it is expected will soon be brought to the at- Hain't I dun talk tuh him when he live up ington to-day and is awaiting the action | tention of the Senate. The present pur- yander?" pointing in the direction where of the Senate. - Wm. H. Lowdermilk, pose of the treaty advocates, it is said, is the President lived when in Congress. one of the most prominent comrades to take up the matter in Executive session, on a ratification resolution, and debate it land, Md. He served during a part of long enough to determine their strength in de war? I know he fit in dem battles. the war in a Kentucky regiment, and and commit those who profess to be with I druv de ammunation-wagon in de Six subsequently became an officer on the them. If they find the necessary strength | Corpse. But Mr. McKinley know me, he do, staff of Gen. W. B. Hazen. After the they will press on to the end, but othercame the editor of a weekly paper. He wise will probably take up Senator Mor-

The committees in Senate and House which deal with public lands and territories down in South Washington. Dey didn's day signed the bill "prohibiting the kill- are at work on legislation for Alaska. The guv me a ting, an' I wants my penshun." problem is to provide for a better Government. Secretary Bliss recommended in the killing of seals by American citizens, his annual report that Alaska be made a Pribylof Islands by the North American | regularly organized Territory. It is thought Commercial Company. It also prohibits | probable that there will be some enlargement of its present Government as preferable to a general system of local legislation and Territorial organization. The than \$200 or more than \$2,000 or imprisonment for not more than six months be extended and their number increased. Perry Post, 374. or both, for each offense, including the | A temporary arrangement may stand until | forfeiture to the United States of the the population of towns becomes less

AMRY AND NAVY. An extension of the corps of military attaches abroad is being rapidly effected by the War Department in pursuance of its policy to secure the fullest avaliable in-

formation regarding the development of military affairs in other countries. Reports received at the Navy Department indicate that the British Government is pushing the work of modernizing Gibraltar with all speed, and that no less than 5,000 Spanish workingmen pass daily over the lines to and from their work on dike relief expedition shall be executed the fortifications. A large number of the jointly by the United States Army and a | heaviest pieces of artillery are being put in | force of the mounted police of Canada, place, a great dock is under construction, and the plan of defense permits of the | was shot in the left temple, the ball passing absolute protection of a vast British fleet

Secretary Long has received for consideration the result of the labors of the special about forty in number, and the two forces | commission appointed by him to inquire will then proceed together to the points | into and report upon the conditions of the Naval personnel. The new bill wipes out the Engineer Corps in name entirely, makes partment ruled that an ex-Union sol- the course at the Naval Academy four instead of three years, provides for 18 Rear-Admirals, whereas there are now but six, insures the same course of instruction at Annapolis to all cadets, no matter for what corps they may enter, and makes other

The artillerists of the Army are hoping for legislation this session providing for a House, furnishes the following state- large increase of the artillery branch, to equip the great system of new fortifications ber, and \$5,750,000 over that of Septem- held between members of the two Military Affairs Committees has developed an in-December by nearly \$1,750,000. This sur- | clination to postpone all Army measures plus, however, arises from the fact that this session in favor of the artillery. It there have been almost no interest pay- has become apparent that the valuable new ments for the month, which makes the defenses upon which the Government has expenditures below the average. There expended millions of dellars cannot be properly cared for, much less manned, in time of war with the present small force.

Aroused His Patriotism, [Washington Post.]

"I had a pair of English goo-gooers around a few weeks ago that gave that queer pain," said the Capitol guide. "They served in both branches of the Maine were making a tour of the world, and I Legislature. couldn't exactly figure how long they had been married, but they certainly were as R. Barker, Co. F, 69th Mass., aged 52. Cor affectionate a bunch as I ever got next to. rade Barker was born in Exter, N. H. F.

"But I didn't start to tell you how much

they loved each other, but how they hated

lish people.

sent, gec-ide?"

the United States. Neither of them could abide this country at all, and they gave everything in the Capitol the joyous ha-hafrom the go-off. Now I stood this for quite a long while, but all the time I could feel the Ohio American creeping into my gorge like a cascade. They looked at the pictures. 'How stupid,' said they in chorus. "They looked at the statuary. 'What a Brummagen lot,' said they in one voice, "It was all the same all over the building. The whole thing, from one wing to the other, got the hoarse hoot from the pair of them, until the spirit of '76 began to rattle around in me so hard that I could just barely keep my voice in. Finally I got 'em around to the painting of the Battle of Lake Erie, over on the Senate side. "What a frightful daub!' they exclaimed together. 'What is it supposed to repre-

"Well, say, that made me too hot to handle. "That,' says I, 'is considered an admirable work of art. It is also regarded as an accurate representation of the battle of Lake Erie. That battle, as you will remember, took place between the American and British fleets during the war of 1812, between England and the United States, and if any fleet on salt or fresh water was ever soaked, smothered, jolted, hammered, torn in two, ripped up the back, hamstrung, keelhauled, butchered-to-make a Roman holiday, and knocked into eighteen hundred and twelve different and letters regarding the corps may be ad kinds of kindling wood, it was the limejuicer British fleet on that occasion, when Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry put it on

"Say, you ought to have seen their faces I'd never had a chance to twist the British lion's tail at such close range, and under such justifiable circumstances before, and just then it would have been all one to me

When the stomach begins to fail in the severity of the disease or the promits duties, other organs speedily become and perfect cure performed by Br. Ayer's affected in sympathy, and life is simply a burden almost unbearable. Indigestion where Dr. Ayer's Pills are used. "They and dyspepsia are so common that only the sufferer from these diseases knows the possibilities of misery that inhere in them. A typical example of the sufferings this statement;

them. A typical example of the sufferings of the victim of indigestion is furnished in the case of John C. Pritchard. He went on for fifteen years, from bad to worse. In spite of doctors he grew constantly weaker, and thought he would die. He got well, however, and thus relates his experience:

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"'Fellow,' says the goo gooer from the gregate the expenditures for the same gobble country, and he tosses me a twobit piece. I let it lay, and walked off with a tip of the hat. "And,' says I, as a sort of wind-up to my little speech, 'we've got Oliver Hazard

Perrys to give away in the United States Navy to-day!' "I don't read the London Times, but I'll Civil Service paragraph of the Legislative bet a can of tomatoes that that Britisher was passed over when it was first reached when he got back to the other side, and described the lack of proper subserviency

He Wanted His Pension. [New York Tribune.]

on the part of American gee-ides.'

"I wants to see de President," said an

"I wants my penshun," said the old man. He was told to go to the Pension Office. "No, sah. I dun bin dar. Dey won't do nuffin'. De President knows who I is.

"Did you know the President when he was in the war?" Who say anything 'bout knowin' him an' he'll gib me dat penshun. I jes' tells yo' I wuz in so many battles dat I didn't count 'em. De way dem tings wuz rollin' wuz awful. I jes' got under de ammunation wagon an' stay dar. W'en de war wus ober I druv dem six mules back tuh Washington, an' guv dem tuh de Guvermen'

MUSTERED OUT.

Curran.—At Randolph, Iowa, J. M. Curran, Co. B, 85th Ill. Comrade Curran died from the effects of a kick by a horse. He was a stranger in the neighborhood, and nothing is known of his relatives. His dis-

Richardson.-At Lowell, Mass., George H. Richardson, Co. G. 6th Mass. He was Chaplain of Ladd and Whitney Post, 185. Stone. -At Lowell, Mass., Comrade Stone. 9th Vt., and a member of Ladd and Whitney

Stacy.—At Lowell, Mass., Comrade Stacy. Co. A, 151st N. Y. He was a member of Ladd and Whitney Pest, 185.

Bates.-At Cassville, N. Y., Dec. 28, Josephus Bates, Co. G, 117th N. Y., aged 88. Comrade Bates enlisted in 1862, and was at that time over 51 years old. He was disabled after the regiment left the State and was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps. Davis .- At Newport, Ky., Dec. 22, John F. Davis, Lieutenant, Co. D. 2d Ohio, aged 61. Cemrade Davis's first enlistment was in Co. H, 2d Ohio, a three-months regiment. After the battle of Bull Run he was mustered out to re-enlist in Co. D, 2d Ohio, for three years. At Perryville he out on the opposite side. He recovered, and on March 1, 1963, rejoined his regiment with a commission as Lieutenant. His health failed, and in June he was compelled to resign. In October he was commissioned Lieutenant in the Veteran Reserve Corps. In May, 1865, he was promoted First Lieutenant and assigned to one of the Southern districts, where he continued in service

until September, 1866. Woodward.-At Philadelphia, Pa., John W. Woodward, Co. A, 26th Pa. He enlisted as a Sergeant, and was rapidly promoted. At Chancellorsville he was shot through the lung. He was brevetted Lieutenant-Colonel for gallantry at Chancellorsville and Fair Oaks. He was afterwards appointed on the staff of Gen. James A.

Heath.-At Waterville, Me., Dec. 20, Gen. Francis E. Heath, aged 59. Gen. Heath was born in Belfast, Me. His brother was killed at Gaines's Mill, and Francis went to the front to take his place. He held the commissions of First Lieutenant and Captain in Co. H, 3d Me., and Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel in the 19th Me. and on retiring from service was brevetted Brigadier-General. Both the 3d and 19th Me. were among the "300 fighting regiments," and suffered heavy loss. After the war Gen. Heath engaged in the tobacco business, and then in the oil bustness in Canada. He returned to Maine and engaged in the lumber business, and built the first pulp mill in the State. He

Barker. - At Washington, D. C., Cha It kind o' knocked me, too, for I'd always beard so much about the reserve of Enghe held a responsible position in the Persion Bureau. The funeral was held Worcester, Mass., under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge. A widow survives him. DAVIS .- At Carrollton, Mo., Dec. 1 Churchill Davis, aged 74. Deceased was member of the local Post, which attende

> Alexander. - At Dayton, O., Nev. 3 Serg't Samuel M. Alexander, 30th and 120th Ohio, aged 53. Comrade Alexander waunder temporary treatment at the Soldiers' Home, his residence being in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he held membership in E. T. Tefft Post, 355. Copeland .- At Haven, Kan., Milton N. Copeland, Sergeant, Co. A, 107th Ill., aged

72. Comrade Copeland enlisted in August,

1862, and served until June, 1865. He fol-

his funeral in a body.

lowed the trade of blacksmith at Wapella. Ill., until 1874, when he moved to Reno County, Kan. The funeral was in charge of Friendship Lodge, 208, A. F. & A. M., assisted by comrades of Haven Post, 435. Welling.-At Pennington, N. J., Nov. 29, Edward L. Welling, Secretary of the Third Corps Association. He entered the service June 25, 1861, as Assistant Surgeon, 3d N. J. When the 11th N. J. was organized he was promoted Surgeon of that regiment. He remained with the regiment until June 6, 1865. Comrade Welling has been a conspicuous figure at the annual meetings of the corps, and had always devoted himself to the interests of his comrades with untiring energy. At the last meeting his daughter, Miss Louise R. Welling, was chosen Assistant Secretary

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

dressed to her at Pennington, N. J.